

Leger Baby Wins '46 Stork Derby

Bardo's Band, Troupe of 'Lovelines' To Be at Post 4 Nights Next Week

Vaudeville Show Free to Service Men, Women

Record crowds are expected to pack the Fort Benning theaters next week when "Hats Off" musical revue featuring Bill Bardo and his band and a troupe of pretty girls, singers, dancers and comedians—reaches the post for a four-night tour starting Tuesday, January 2. All performances will be free to service men and women with the compliments of USO-Camp Shows, Inc.

Maestro Bardo, Hollywood's popular master of ceremonies, will stage his Benning premiere at the Red Cross Recreation Hall, 45th Regional Hospital, Tuesday evening. His "packaged vaudeville show" will then play Theater No. 1 in Harmony Church on Wednesday, the Main Theater Thursday, and Theater No. 2 at the Parachute School on Friday.

Each theater performance is slated for 8 p. m. following the scheduled movie. Extra seats will be made available for service men and women who wish to enjoy a double "screen and stage show" should remain in their seats after the movie, while those who wish to see only the vaudeville attraction will be admitted to the theater immediately after the film showing. The special service office has announced.

Versatile Band

Bardo's "sweet and mellow" band is one of the most versatile musical aggregations in show business. In between orchestral and dance numbers, the musicians present a full-fledged variety show of their own. They're the same accomplished showmen who proved so popular in the "Goldwyn Follies," "Sonny," "Whoopee" and other Hollywood films.

Emcee Bardo is a "third generation fiddler"—his grandfather was court violinist to Emperor Franz Josef of Austria and his father was champion square-dance fiddler of New York State.

Featured act of "Hats Off" will be the comedy-dance performance by the inimitable Harry White and Alice Manning, who never fail to roll 'em in the aisles with their famous "Booms-A-Daisy" number. They introduced this specialty dance to America and popularized it in side-splitting performances at the Regis Hotel and Leon and Eddie's in New York. Their hilarious antics have also contributed to the success of the "Ziegfeld Follies" and several Warner brothers and Paramount pictures.

Veteran Juggler in Troupe

Another star whose performance here will make "Hats Off" a memorable event in Benning entertainment will be James Evans, veteran juggler with magic hands. Evans has set the pace for all vaudeville acts specializing in foot-juggling. In none of his 15 years here in Benning has Evans used his hands after the routine is under way.

He starts off his breathless act by juggling three weighted balls with entrancing comedy effects. Then he switches to a heavy mallet across which he balances the apparent ease. In great flashes of talent he handles numerous colorful props as he builds up his climactic feat of juggling a full-sized 160-pound bed.

A veteran of every major vaudeville circuit in the world, Evans gave a command performance for the King and Queen during his last tour of England. He is widely known among servicemen, having given unselfishly of his time to entertain at many Army and Navy bases.



WHITE AND MANNING comedy dancers starring in "Hats Off"



JAMES EVANS his "Foot Feats" featured in "Hats Off"

Capt. Akridge Has Cluster To Each of Three Awards

BY CPL. MILTON KALB

Capt. Clyde M. Akridge, commanding officer of headquarters company, Academic Regiment, has received the unusual distinction of having earned an oak leaf cluster to each of three combat awards—will leave The Infantry School this week for the Camp Beale separation center.

Winner of the Silver Star, Bronze Star and Purple Heart medals with clusters for his part in four major Pacific campaigns, Akridge received his baptism of fire under conditions that would try the most battle-hardened soldier.

"After more than two weeks of continuous fighting in rain and mud, the remaining Japanese were driven into a pocket at their base, Chicago Harbor. We prepared to move in for the kill but on the night of May 29-30 the enemy launched a counterattack that caught us by surprise. I was in the front line at the time, and my company was being relieved by a new outfit."

Driving up the valley they headed for the beach where we had most of our artillery and supplies. If they had reached it, it would have been a disaster. Most of my company was on the mountain on one side of the valley. An engineer company was on the other. I was in the valley with five men when a runner told us that the Nips were coming.

"For a moment I thought he was crazy, but then I could hear shooting and the wild shouts and screaming of the fanatic enemy. After sending the runner up the mountain to alarm the bulk of the company and to try to get re-

Concert Group To Be Formed By Post A & R

Organization of a concert group for Fort Benning, to round out America's most complete Military Post's entertainment facilities, is contemplated by the Post Athletic and Recreation Office, under the direction of WOJG Richard Shores, formerly assistant band leader of the 87th Division Band.

The coming into existence of the group, which would be directed and conducted by Mr. Shores, will depend upon whether sufficient talent can be recruited from Fort Benning installations.

"We hope," Mr. Shores said, "to be able to organize a complete little symphony, to play for troops at the Post and to be available for special occasions, radio broadcasts, shows, and such affairs."

"Through the cooperation of the various commands at Fort Benning, we hope to be able to recruit such a group, composed of musicians who would like to play together in such an organization."

Lists Instruments

Mr. Shores, who in civilian life studied at the Eastman School of Music and who conducted the Indianapolis, Ind., Little Symphony, named the required instruments for the group.

"We need all the violins, violas, cellos, and bass violins we can get," he said. "Then, we need three clarinets, two trumpets, trombones, the percussion, oboes, bassoons, flutes, and French Horns."

"Musicians who are interested will derive much enjoyment out of playing with the group. If they want to help," Mr. Shores reiterated. "People who are interested should contact me at the Post A & R office or call me at Fort Benning telephone 3411 or 2183."

A native of Indianapolis, Ind., Mr. Shores attended the University of Indiana. While there, he produced some of the Jordan Revues, and his revue for the senior year won the national competition for musical plays conducted by ASCAP among American universities and he was awarded a scholarship to the Eastman School.

Studied at Eastman

After studying at Eastman, Mr. Shores returned to Indianapolis to conduct the Indianapolis Little Symphony, as well as writing stories for and producing radio programs. WIRE, NBC's Indianapolis outlet.

He entered the Army as an enlisted man at Jefferson Barracks, Mo., qualified for and attended Bandmaster's School at Camp Gordon, Ga., and was promoted to the 87th Infantry Division. At Fort Jackson, S. C., he organized and conducted the 87th Division Little Symphony. He was overseas with the 87th in 1944, and returned to the United States and Fort Benning in the summer of 1945.

While at Fort Benning, he has taken a prominent part in post musical activities. He organized, arranged the score for, and conducted the orchestra in the recent parade ceremonies of Army Service Forces troops at the Post flag pole this Friday afternoon.

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LINEUP for sodas, sundaes, malts and other "Fountain Delights" are these GI's at the post's newest Soda Shop PX opened in the Main Post Exchange last Thursday. The Soda Shop will be open from 9 a. m. through 9 p. m. weekdays, while maintaining a noon to 9 p. m. schedule on Sundays and holidays. Manager of the new Soda Shop is Thomas Rich who announced that coffee urns would be installed next week to provide that welcomed "break" mornings when all other PXs are closed. The new soda shop was constructed in the portion of the Main Exchange formerly used as a sick room. Lt. Col. Lawton Jordan, PX officer, pointed out. The establishment of the new Soda Shop was projected months ago but was held up due to inability to obtain necessary equipment. It is four times the size of the old Soda Shop. Meanwhile the smaller Soda Shop in the Main Cafeteria Building will continue to operate indefinitely on a 10 to 10 p. m. schedule. Colonel Jordan announced.—(Signal Corps Photo by Cpl. Phil Charleston)

Fort Benning's Radio Programs To Be Enlarged

Fort Benning's radio programs over local stations will soon be considerably enlarged with the addition of two weekly feature programs in the next few weeks, the Post-Public Relations Office announced today.

The revival, over station WRBL, of one of the Post's most successful shows, "Listen, It's Fort Benning," plus the organization of a new show "Fort Benning On Parade," will soon begin. Definite dates will be announced shortly.

"Listen, It's Fort Benning" for many months used to be produced twice each Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock from the stage of the Main Theater. On its instrumental, vocal, and dramatic talent were featured. The show moved to a weekday night spot in the summer and was discontinued last fall.

Many Figures Aired

Many Fort Benning figures in the "Listen, It's Fort Benning" show, the GI version of a typical soap-opera, and The Adventure of Bob Franks, Fort Benning's sad-sackish private from C Company of the Ninth, were aired over that show.

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Academic Regt. Winding Up Reorganization Job

BY CPL. MILTON KALB

The enlarged Academic Regiment of The Infantry School settled down this week to the job of completing its reorganization brought about by the absorption of the inactivated First Student Training Regiment (1st STR).

In addition to the huge task of reassigning and relocating many hundreds of officers and men, as well as transferring large quantities of property, commanding officer Col. Wiley O'Mohundro's staff sped more than 1,000 Academic Regiment members on holiday passes and furloughs.

Despite the unusual activity caused by the reorganization and the holidays, the routine job of providing the administrative and technical aspects of the reorganization of The Infantry School continued without interruption. The "final" administrative function performed here—clearing personnel for separation.

Other Assignments

Assisting Col. O'Mohundro in the reorganization as well as in "normal" regimental duties are Lt. Col. Richard J. Smith, executive officer, Maj. Jack A. Goodman, intelligence and plans-and-training officer, Lt. George F. McCullough, adjutant, Capt. Jones G. Jones, supply and property liaison officer, Capt. John W. Wells, information and public relations officer, Capt. William S. Nottingham, mess officer and Lt. Roy Isaacs, athletic and recreation officer.

Assistant intelligence and plans-and-training officers are Maj. Henry F. Smith and Capt. Joseph E. Martin. Lt. Leonie C. Flynn, and WOJG Ed E. Garrison are assistant adjutants. Lt. Eric U. Cavell will assist the former executive officer, Lt. Patsy M. Potalivo will help Lt. Isaacs. M-Sgt. Tommie F. Campbell is sergeant-at-arms.

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Dieter to Head Dimes Campaign

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High Awards to Be Given Dischargees At Retreat Parade

Several high combat awards will be presented to recently discharged soldiers at special retreat parade ceremonies of Army Service Forces troops at the Post flag pole this Friday afternoon.

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'Trooper's Son Is Victor By 33 Minute Margin

Vincent Joseph Jaeger arrived in the work at the 45th Regional Hospital at 11:50 a. m. Wednesday, January 2, and was immediately proclaimed the winner of the Fort Benning 1946 Baby Derby, the most "prolonged" and exciting stork contest in history of the annual event.

M-Sgt. Joseph V. Jaeger, 25, operations sergeant of the Airborne School and proud poppa of the first male baby to win the contest in three years, will make the rounds of Columbus today picking up the 26 handsome gifts which the town's leading merchants will award as prizes to the first baby born here to an enlisted man since 1940.

Mrs. Lucy Jaeger, 21, gave birth to the cute little six-pound, 12-ounce "Mister 1946" just 33 minutes before the wife of Col. Ernest Hiser, of the Academic Regiment, gave birth to the still-named "Mister Brown." The winners in doubt for at least half an hour before the Jaeger tyke arrived. Attending surgeon were Capt. John Christensen, nurses were Lts. Mattie Williams and Sue Nimmons.

Latest Winner

"Mister 1946" was the first winner to arrive after New Year's Day. In previous years the winning baby has arrived within a few minutes of the hour, after the New Year itself.

"The prize gifts sure will come in handy," Sergeant Jaeger said. "I expect a discharge soon. Lucy and I hope to get off to a good start in civilian life with these really practical gifts."

Sergeant Jaeger will return to his regular job as assistant east coast regional manager for the United Drug company, operating out of New York City.

These are the gifts which the Columbus merchants will award the Jaeger family:

A sterling silver fork and spoon set from Kivens'; a silver cup and saucer from a local jeweler; a 10 karat gold ring from the baby department of Elsie's jewelry company; a "Baby's Best" baby blanket from the Wee Moderns infants' and children's wear; a pair of baby shoes from Cannon shoe store; a baby's hat from the Baby's Best; a baby's sweater from the Baker Village Toy Shop; a "comfy" teddy bear from Wheeler's Pharmacy; a "wagon full of blocks" from the Foremost auto store; a cradle gym, a rattles, information and public relations officer, Capt. William S. Nottingham, mess officer and Lt. Roy Isaacs, athletic and recreation officer.

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Ist Army Sends Second Half Group Home on Furlough

The second group of First Army troops left Fort Benning during the past weekend for their homes, the last of the 50 per cent holiday furlough policy which First Army units at Fort Benning have been observing since the Christmas and New Year season.

The group, the first, comprising one half of the troops here, left during the week of December 16-22, and spent Christmas at their homes, and nearly all of the second group will be able to spend New Year's Eve and Day with their friends and families.

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Tribute Paid To Gen. Brann

High-ranking officers at Fort Benning paid tribute Monday to Maj. Gen. Donald W. Brann, who served two tours of duty at The Infantry School during the thirties and earned the rank of major here in 1940.

Gen. Brann was killed Saturday when he toppled 100 feet from a cliff while hunting in the mountains of Austria. He was returning from a hunting trip.

General Brann can truly be called one of the Army's outstanding soldiers," said Brig. Gen. William H. Hobson, post commander on sick leave.

I remember well that General Brann, then a major, was retained as an instructor during the pre-war expansion of The Infantry School because of his vast knowledge of weapons," General Hobson said. "He was well-liked by everyone at Benning."

General Hobson recalled General Brann as "tall, lanky, blond and curly-haired."

Maj. Gen. John W. O'Daniel, commanding of The Infantry School who knew General Brann in North Africa, Sicily and Italy, said "I am deeply grieved to learn of General Brann's untimely death as was proven by the important assignments he was given during the battles of Fort Europe. General Brann earned his major-generalship while serving under Gen. Mark Clark in the 15th Army Group. General O'Daniel recalled.

Guerilla Leader Inspecting TIS

Col. Luis Villareal, a famous Philippine guerrilla leader, arrived at Lawson Field yesterday for a 10-day inspection tour of The Infantry School.

Meeting the colonel at the plane was a group of high ranking officers. The Infantry School, including several officers who had served in the Philippine Islands during the war.

The Movie Week

MEET ME ON BROADWAY: A musical comedy starring Majorie Reynolds and Fred Brady. Good entertainment!

THE HARVEY GIRLS: Judy Garland in a musical extravaganza with John Hodiak forming the male interest in the pix.

CORNERED: Dick Powell in a mystery thriller aided by Walter Slezak. Satisfying to the mystery lovers.

DOLL FACE: Another in the list of musicals headlining the post theatre billings this week. Perry Como and Vivian Blaine play the leads.

TOKYO ROSE: A light drama with Byron Barr and Osa Massen as the principals.

GIRL ON THE SPOT: A mystery flicker with Jess Barker and Lois Collier featured.

MY REPUTATION: A romantic number leaning slightly on the tear-extracting side. Barbara Stanwyck and George Brent team up for the light comedy.

FRONTIER GAIL: A Western with Yvonne De Carlo and Rod Cameron.

A LETTER FOR EVIE: A romantic pix with Marsha Hunt and John Carroll in the main roles.

HOLLYWOOD CANTEN: Betty Davis headlines a galaxy of 42 stars in a musical extravaganza. Remember Bette started the Hollywood Canteen as her pet wartime project. A great picture!

THURSDAY
Nos. 1 & 2: Doll Face.
Nos. 2 & 3: Girl on the Spot.
No. 5: My Reputation.
No. 11: Frontier Gail.

FRIDAY
Nos. 1 & 8: Doll Face.
Nos. 2 & 3: Girl on the Spot.
No. 5: My Reputation.
No. 11: A Letter for Evie.

SATURDAY
Nos. 1 & 8: Meet Me On Broadway.
Nos. 2 & 3: Doll Face.
No. 5: Tokyo Rose.
No. 11: Hollywood Canteen.

SUNDAY
Nos. 1 & 8: The Harvey Girls.
Nos. 2 & 3: Doll Face.
No. 5: Girl on the Spot.
No. 11: My Reputation.

MONDAY
Nos. 1 & 8: The Harvey Girls.
Nos. 2 & 3: Meet Me On Broadway.
No. 5: Doll Face.
No. 11: My Reputation.

TUESDAY
Nos. 1 & 8: Cornered.
Nos. 2 & 3: The Harvey Girls.
No. 5: Doll Face.
No. 11: Meet Me On Broadway.

WEDNESDAY
Nos. 1 & 8: Cornered.
Nos. 2 & 3: The Harvey Girls.
No. 5: Meet Me On Broadway.
No. 11: Doll Face.

GLS Say Their Travel Space Given to Brides

LONDON, Jan. 2.—(INS)—Some 4,000 American servicemen protested today that they were forced to remain in England and provide shipping space for G.I. brides traveling to the United States.

The vigorous objections took the form of letters and cables to U. S. congressmen and newspaper editors.

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An Army Wife Shops In Columbus

By Phyllis

This wave of cold and nasty weather hitting Columbus means displaying countless new arrivals of many of us will be hunting up some new shoes which have the heels and toes in, instead of the favorite heel-less, tooled styles. The best place to find attractive footwear styles in Columbus is THE MILLER-TAYLOR SHOE COMPANY. This long established concern receives new stocks daily. Suedes, as well as fine kid leathers are much in evidence. Pumps, oxfords and tie styles in either black or various shades of brown are beautifully fashioned by skilled craftsmen who work with top-quality materials. For warmer as well as attractive pedal extremities this winter, shop at Miller-Taylor's.

All the dances and parties scheduled for the next few weeks will mean a bit of scurrying around for a new formal or two. An ideal place to shop for a lovely gown suitable for these occasions is THE J. A. KIRVEN COMPANY. The Fashion Shop on the second floor has quite an assortment of gowns, satins and innumerable crepes. Colors are equally varied, as are the styles. And prices are, too. Form-fitting drapery is evident in many of the crepe fashions and the party dresses have the popular full skirts of net or tulle. Shop now before some of the little last snaps up the very outfit you'd like.

The family department store, the most popular one in Columbus.



SHE LOVES AN ENGINEER—Here's Barbara Stanwyck, who takes the lead in My Reputation, a coming attraction at Fort Benning theaters. (See schedule.) She's in love with an Army Engineer, and after many difficulties with family matters, the young widow and her love make out all right.

Captain to Give Up Commission, Be Top Sergeant

Capt. William B. Penndorf, adjutant of the Academic Regiment, The Infantry School, veteran of 27 years in the Army, will resign his commission this week to remain in his permanent grade of master sergeant.

Captain Penndorf, who fought in the Mexican border campaign against the bandit Pancho Villa in 1919, was commissioned first sergeant in 1923, when he was a member of the 15th Tank Battalion. At that time the 15th was the Army's only tank battalion.

He was assigned to Fort Screven, Ga., for the next 16 years, serving part of the time under Gen. George C. Marshall, who commanded the fort as a lieutenant colonel.

Penndorf, then a sergeant, was General Marshall's enlisted mess and administration inspector for District F (Georgia and Florida) of the Civilian Conservation Corps.

Returned Here In 1940
Returning to Fort Benning in 1940, Penndorf became first sergeant of Company C, 1st STR, one of the first officer candidate companies.

After he was commissioned, Penndorf was appointed assistant adjutant of the 2nd STR, joining the Academic Regiment as a company commander in October 1945. He was appointed regimental adjutant by Col. E. P. Passalunghi in January 1945. He has served in the same capacity under Col. Brookner W. Brady and Col. Wiley H. O'Mahondro, the present commanding officer.

Captain Penndorf resides with his wife, Mildred, and their two children, Walter and Elaine, at 24 Court avenue, Benning Park homes, Columbus.

Legion of Merit Awarded Former Benning Officer

Captain Thomas W. Phipps, of Little Orchard, Tryon, N. C., and former Radio officer in the Public Relations department, the Infantry school, was recently awarded the Legion of Merit for outstanding service from October 1944, to December 1944, and again from February, 1945, to July, 1945, in connection with the military demonstration, "Here's Your Infantry."

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Approved By Duncan Hines

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War Department Authorizes New Service Ribbon

The War Department has authorized a new ribbon, known as the Army Commendation Ribbon, to be worn by members of the armed forces who have been commended by senior officers for meritorious service rendered since December 7, 1941, or for some specific accomplishment since that time.

Officers of the rank of major general or above, or those commanders installations normally under the command of major generals or higher, may make the recommendation.

The ribbon may be authorized for meritorious service other than sustained combat, or operational duty or direct support of such duty. It is awarded under conditions which are similar to those of an operational award, can not be given.

The ribbon, which is authorized in the name of the Secretary of War, will be awarded to qualified personnel by including in an individual letter of certificate the statement that the recipient is hereby authorized to wear the Army Commendation Ribbon by direction of the Secretary of War. Only one such award can be made while an individual is on one duty assignment. For meritorious service in subsequent duty assignments, Oak Leaf Clusters may be awarded. It was pointed out that the term "Commendation" is not to be confused with "Appreciation." Many commanding officers indicate their appreciation of work well done by letters of appreciation. A Commendation Ribbon or certificate should show achievement of distinction of the same standard for which the Bronze Star Medal is awarded in operations. The recipient must be an individual. An individual who has received a Letter of Commendation from a superior officer, or a major general or officer of higher rank written prior to January 1, 1946, may obtain authority to wear the Commendation Ribbon by making application to the agency or officer originating the letter, the theater commander, the commanding general of a major command (commanding general, Army Ground Forces, Army Air Forces, Army Service Forces), or the Adjutant General War Department. This application should include a copy of the commendation, a statement as to the date or period covered by the recommendation, a list of other awards plus the dates for which they were awarded, and a statement to the effect that the recommendation does not duplicate any other award.

The civilian workers' bill was passed by the Senate last week and recommended a graduated pay scale that totaled an overall increase of 11 per cent. This measure is now pending in the House and could collide with the service pay measure, although the probabilities are that initial service pay will come in the Senate.

The ribbon is a silk band, 1-3/8 inches in width, of white stripes and myrtle green bands. The ribbon is not available at present but an announcement will be made in the near future concerning its procurement.

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Officer, 30, Wears Insigne Almost As Old As He Is

Lt. Samuel W. Watson, 30, mess liaison officer of the Academic Regiment, The Infantry School, wears a gold but and a crossed-rifles insignie which are almost as old as he is.

Worn in France during the last war by Col. Charles N. Morgan, the bar and rifles were given to Lieutenant Watson when he served under Colonel Morgan as sergeant-major of the 108th Infantry.

Lieutenant Watson intends to "pass the ornaments on" when he leaves the service. "They're as old as I'll last forever," he says. "They'll outlast any second lieutenant that I know of."

G. I. Wonders How To Get His Wives Home From Island

WASHINGTON, Jan. 2.—(AP)—A bargain-driving Yank on a lonely Pacific island tossed his headache into the lap of the Veterans Administration on New Year's day, what to do about his wives (plural).



Vet Shoots Himself With German Gun As Wife Looks On

COLUMBUS, O., Jan. 2.—(INS)—Two Columbus men were dead today from shots fired from German war souvenir pistols and one policeman was injured from shots of a New Year's celebrator's gun.

World War II Veteran Kenneth P. Pinkerton, 31, fired a shot through his right temple in front of his wife of six months, Mrs. Ruby Ellen Pinkerton, police reported. He had been in ill health. Another veteran, Sgt. Theodor S. McCoy, 30, of Columbus, was held by police today in connection with the fatal shooting of Hugh Ford Clift, 43, divorced husband of the soldier's cousin, Missie Mae Clift, 37.

The wounded policeman, Grover Stevens, 34, was struck by a New Year's merry-maker.

Wynnton Wilma just phoned in to say that a gentleman is nothing but a wolf who takes his time.

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Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower's new director of information is Lt. Gen. J. Lawton Collins, who succeeded Maj. Gen. Alexander Surles. Maj. Gen. Floyd L. Parks replaced Col. R. E. Dupuy as director of the War Department's bureau of public relations. Brig. Gen. Charles T. Lanham succeeded Maj. Gen. Frederick H. Osborn as director of the information and education division.

When they questioned ITD Ike at Regional hospital, he gave this explanation: "I didn't know she was a golfer when she asked me to play around with her."

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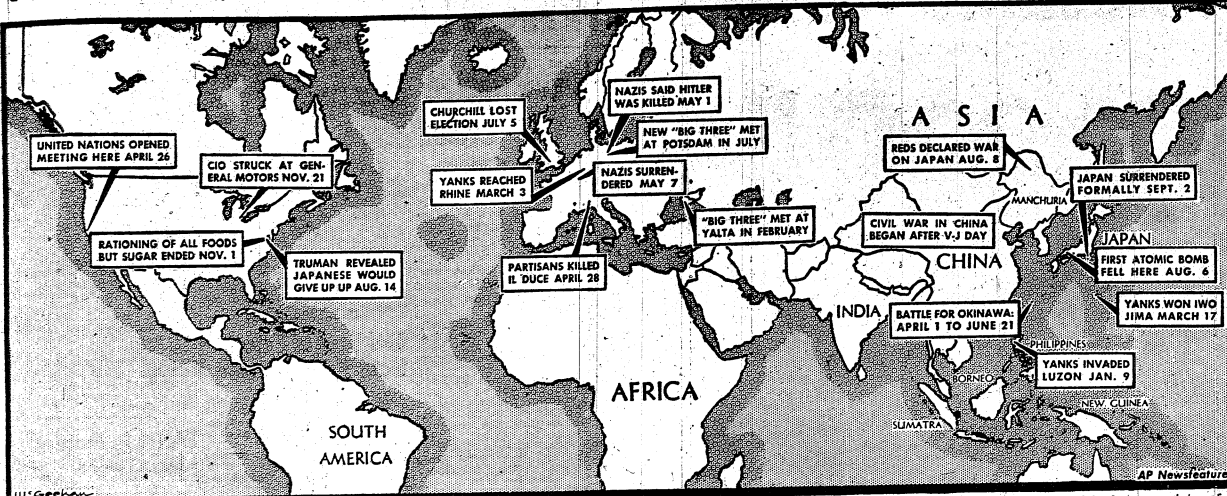
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Mrs. G. Bennett marriage. Elaine R. Bennett, daughter of zette, Ben and Bay Henry, New York City member of the Academy of Music, best man, bride at their home, Street, brief war as Lt. Col. Mrs. H. Mrs. G. Mrs. F. Mrs. J.

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE YEAR AROUND THE WORLD



BY JOHN L. SPRINGER

No year in history—perhaps no year in history—packed the wall of 1946. The accompanying map gives the outstanding events of the year. Many of these, standing alone, were as momentous as any within the memory of living men. Together, they provided excitement that barely faded from one end of the year to the other.

At the outset, the Anglo-Americans were fighting the "Battle of the Bulge," attempting to whittle down the territory gained by the Nazis in their sudden—and terrifying—December offensive into Belgium. On the eastern front, the Russians were opening up the first of a series of thrilling offensives, sweeping across the Polish prison camps and pulling up for breath at the Oder river, less than 50 miles from Berlin.

In the Pacific, January saw MacArthur make good on the big part of his promise to go back to the Philippines. His forces moved onto the major island of Luzon and began a surprising sweep to the capital of Manila, overrunning the Japanese and liberating the survivors as they went.

The Yanks were in Manila by Feb. 5, beginning a bloody-but-block battle for the glittering "jewel of the Orient" was put to the torch.

By the end of February Eisenhower's forces were thundering up to the Rhine. March produced the sensational "free crossing" for the Allies over the Remagen bridge and a later leaping of the river by Allied armies lined up from the Netherlands to Switzerland.

On April 1 the Yanks invaded Okinawa, only 350 miles from Japan's mainland. The invasion was a great race was on in Germany, with Eisenhower's armored fingers reaching in all directions as key cities tumbled.

One of the great sorrows of the year—the sudden death of the President—also came in April. Never before had the nation lost its chief executive during war time, and to millions of Americans Franklin D. Roosevelt symbolized the whole story of the struggle against the Axis.

By mid-April Germany was in her death throes. Sensation followed sensation. The Allies swept up to Czechoslovakia, opening concentration camps and discovering unprecedented examples of horror and brutality. The Russians opened a thunderous offensive across the Oder into Berlin. American and Soviet troops linked at Torgau. Italian partisans caught and killed Mussolini and his mistress, and subjected their captors to indignities. The lone Nazi-held radio station at Hamburg announced the death of Hitler in the Reich chancellery.

May brought the capture of Berlin—smashed "almost" by competition by Allied bombs and Soviet shellfire—and then Germany's formal capitulation at Reims. At the same time a possible new world order—the era of the United Nations—was being chartered at San Francisco.

The cessation of one war brought little relief in the headlines. After relatively easy going on Okinawa, the 10th Army of Lt. Gen. Simon Bolivar Buckner ran into a little "Siegfried line" surrounded with difficult cave defenses. Off shore the Kamikaze blew in its greatest fury and sank or gravely damaged scores of American warships.

Okunawa was fully won in June, and the next month MacArthur could announce his supremacy over the entire Philippine chain. Then Superfortresses

from the Marianas carried out their biggest raids against the main Japanese islands, dropping new incendiary "jelly bombs," and the Third Fleet of Adm. William F. Halsey moved up and down the enemy coast shelling installations at will. In July, Winston Churchill's Conservatives were routed unexpectedly at the British polls, and his successor, Clement R. Attlee, took a place in the

"Big Three" at Potsdam. August had new sensations, one of which opened an entirely new chapter in man's history. That was the atomic bomb—a small tool of death floated down on Hiroshima by parachute. Two days later Russia declared war on Japan, another atomic bomb was dropped and Tokyo broadcast a willingness to surrender.

World War II was ended, but the big black headlines continued.

Reconversion problems spread over America. The great CIO strike against General Motors, begun November 21, pitted giant trial in Europe and the Pacific; a Congressional committee was given new details of the attack on Pearl Harbor; throughout much of

the globe began a winter of hunger and political ferment. There were disturbances in the middle east, a civil war in China, revolt in Indonesia involving the British, and stirrings for "independence" among colonial peoples all over the globe.

It was a hectic, harried year from beginning to end—a year which humanity fervently hoped would never have to be repeated.

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No Wonder Father Time Looks Tired: The Old Man's History Goes Way Back to Greek and Roman Artists

Present Symbol Merger of Old And The New Art

FOURTH CENTURY chronograph shows the figure of Saturn, the patron of agriculture.



ture and oldest of the gods, with a spade, Saturn's characteristics, particularly his extreme age and decrepit look, were fused into previous classical conceptions of Time by the illustrators of Petrarch's "Triumph."

TIME THE DESTROYER, in a 16th century Petrarch woodcut. The Renaissance influence gave Time a younger-looking body, but he carried a crutch. Devouring of infant was supposed to be characteristic of Saturn, who ate his children, but was later interpreted as referring to the destructiveness of time.

FATHER TIME of today has changed a bit since the Renaissance, and modern newspaper cartoonists have shown him with his wings. His scythe, however, is still in

In the days of the Greeks and the Romans, the Greeks had a word for time. It was Chronos, and derivatives of it are still used in words like chronometer. In classical Greek art, time had been depicted two ways: as opportunity, a winged young figure carrying scales, and showing the forelock by which "opportunity" could be grasped; and as creative eternity, generally a grumpy old man carrying a scythe or a snake.

The Romans also had a god named Kronos, or Saturn, who didn't have anything to do with time origami. He was the oldest and most formidable of the gods, and the patron of agriculture, and was generally shown carrying a scythe as befitting a god of the earth. Because the Greek word Chronos and the Roman Kronos sounded pretty much the same, the people got the idea that they were the same.

Writers in the fourth and fifth centuries already had started to weld the two characterizations into one, and the myth that Kronos had devoured his own children began to be interpreted as time, the destroyer.

Father Time's debut in more or less his present form probably dates to the 16th century, when artists began to illustrate Petrarch's "Triumph." Because Petrarch's Time was really a destroyer, and because the author had omitted any reference to Time's physical appearance, the artists put the Greek and Roman conceptions together, and came up with an old looking man who carried a scythe or a crutch.

Today's artists generally omit the wings, but the scythe is still there, and so is the generally exhausted and feeble look.

Ghost Wine Glasses 'Toast' Memory of Absent Airmen

DETROIT, Jan. 2.—(INS)—Two wine glasses were raised in a toast Tuesday—a toast in memory of 50 gallant young Royal Canadian flyers and their unfulfilled dream of a New Year's reunion.

The dream that ended it a pledge—look form four years ago aboard the troopship "Warwick" plowing through dark Atlantic waters, sailing toward a destiny unknown. The dreamers were members of an RCAF elementary flying school unit trained in Windsor, Ont.

Aboard the crowded ship they vowed to hold a rendezvous; today only two appeared. Reunited with memories of 44 ghosts were former Capt. Seth Parker, 26, of Richmond, B.C., and Capt. G. Forsey, 24, of Morrisdale, Pa. Of the others—only much-thumbed photographs and recollections remain.

Four of the only other known survivors, Jack Doyle of Hillside, N. J.; Wing Cmdr. Jack Creeper, of Owen Sound, Ont.; Joe Morshinger, of Groversville, N. Y.; and Jack Beers, now somewhere in Ceylon, sent regrets.

United States servicemen mailed three billion letters a year during the war, according to the 1946 Encyclopedia Britannica Book of the Year. Allowing soldiers and sailors free mail cost the post office department about \$81,000,000 a year.

Two-Headed Baby Born in England

BIRMINGHAM, Eng., Jan. 2.—(AP)—A child with two heads was born yesterday to the wife of an American soldier, officials of the Selly Oak hospital said today.

Nurses in the maternity ward said the child—born about a month prematurely—was being kept in a ward with other premature babies and that it awakes for feedings and cries normally. They said, however, that it was "quite feeble."

Hospital officials said both the child's heads were perfect and were attached to twin necks on normal shoulders and body.

The first bicycle was invented in Scotland in 1840 by Kirkpatrick MacMillan. According to the Encyclopedia Britannica, its inventor was once fined for "furious driving" while riding his contraption.



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Sen. Johnston Opposes Peacetime Army Draft

COLUMBIA, S. C., Jan. 2.—(AP)—U. S. Senator Olin D. Johnston said today that he was not in favor of a peacetime draft for the armed services.

Johnston said he did not believe in keeping the youth of the nation "for one straight, solid year in the Army" and he did believe reenlistments of men discharged from the armed forces would be so heavy that "we won't need a draft to keep the army and navy going."

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Couple Gets Money To Attend Event Honoring Hero Son

CENTRALIA, Ill., Jan. 2.—(AP)—Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Wilson got their best Christmas present on New Year's Day. They received enough money to travel to Bath, Maine, to attend the launching of a destroyer named after their son who died a hero in the Pacific war.

The couple smiled through their tears and forgot about their earlier disappointment over not being able to afford the trip to Maine. They started packing immediately although they were not scheduled to leave until Thursday.

Plans for the journey had been abandoned because of cost more than the family's modest circumstances could afford. But the Centralia Siles club presented the Wilsons with \$300 collected from club members and a check for \$205 arrived from the Bath Iron Works, builder of the destroyer.

leaches a Sunday School class. Any views which he may have expressed were therefore his own, not mine. I completely dissociate myself from them."

"No one regrets more than I that misunderstandings and misrepresentation should have occurred. May 1, therefore, call to your attention a letter written to the chief of chaplains, Brig. Gen. Luther D. Miller, by General Vaughan's pastor, the Rev. Cliff R. Johnson, who heard the remarks in question and who assured General Miller that nothing derogatory had been uttered."

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League Cagers Resume Action Tonight

Profs to Meet TPS; Medics Face Lawson

After a two-week holiday vacation, the Fort Benning league basketballers swing back into action tonight, with three games slated for decision.

A twin-bill is booked at the Main Post Gym, Academic Regiment Profs meeting The Parachute School in the opener at 7:30 p. m., and the ASF Hospital Medics facing Lawson Field in the nightcap at 9:00 p. m.

Academic Regiment Wolves encounter Motor Pool in a single tilt at Harmony Church Sports Arena. Game time is 7:30 p. m.

The Profs whipped the Motor Pool quintet, 48-23, in their only league game and are favored to add the Parachute School to their list of victims. The Troopers enter tonight's game with a 51-22 victory over Pool and a 47-29 defeat at the hands of ITD No. 1 Demons.

The Wolves also were victorious in their only league fray last month, that being a 73-24 win over Lawson Field.

One of the most important of early-season league tilts is scheduled Sunday afternoon when the ITD No. 2 Snipers clash with ITD No. 1 Demons at the Main Post Gym. When action gets under way at 2:00 p. m., the Snipers will be trying for their third loop triumph, the Demons for their second.

Both the Snipers and Demons have a number of high scorers in their ranks, and Sunday's test should prove to be one in which offense will be stressed by both sides. Jim Homer, John Masavage and Joe Kirk were expected to lead the way in point-making for the Snipers against Cass Comkowski, Homer Osborne and Ace Maughan, scoring threats of the Demons.

The league schedule calls for four games next Tuesday night. Parachute School meets Academic Regiment Wolves in the opening game of a twin-bill at the Main Post Gym, and Medics face ITD No. 1 in the nightcap; Motor Pool and ITD No. 2 Snipers oppose each other at the Harmony Church Sports Arena, while Academic Regiment Profs tackle Lawson Field at Lawson Field.

The standings:

Team	W	L	Pct.
ITD No. 2 Snipers	2	0	1.000
Academic Wolves	2	0	1.000
ITD No. 1 Demons	1	0	1.000
ASF Troopers	1	0	1.000
Medics	1	0	1.000
Motor Pool	0	2	.000
Lawson Field	0	2	.000

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WASHINGTON—A \$2500 cash gift, plus \$30 a month for as long as the recipient lives, is proposed for all Medal of Honor winners by Rep. Harold L. O'Toole (D-N.Y.).

In identical letters to the Secretaries of the War and Navy, the congressman said he was prepared to offer the legislation if his idea is approved.

4769 Soldiers Re-Enlist From Service Forces

HEADQUARTERS, Theater Service Forces—During the first month and a half of the reenlistment campaign, 4,769 soldiers in Service Force units in Europe have signed to continue their Army careers from one to three years.

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Women's Champs Who'll Meet Profs and Snipers

These are the All-American Red Heads, world's women basketball champions, who will invade Fort Benning on Sunday, January 13, to play two of the post's best MEN's teams in exhibition matches at the Main Post Gym. The Red Heads will face the ITD No. 2 Snipers in the afternoon and the Academic Regiment Profs in the evening! Both contests will be played "men's rules" and will be free to service personnel. The champs, who average slightly under six feet in height, are, right to left: Gene Love, six-foot-four, believed to be the world's tallest woman basketball player; Toby McGee, six-foot-two, who starred with the Wichita Boeing Aircraft team in the nationals last year; Eloise Purkey, Tex Nabors, Ruth Hains, Danny Daniels, and Hazel Reynolds.

SPORTS TAB

BY JOHN A. KING

It is a little disconcerting to this column to realize that out of the entire post population, CAPT. DANIEL HERLONG, Post Athletic Officer, was able to get but two entries for the Fourth Service Command Boxer's Tournament to be held in Atlanta, January 10-11.

A few years back, this post consisted of a handful of men but nevertheless there were plenty of pugilists on call. However, just itching for the chance to enter the ring and square off against an opponent. If our memory serves us correctly, during the lean period of peacetime, boxing matches were staged almost weekly at Doughboy Stadium, weather conditions permitting, or at the Post Gym during inclement weather.

Now, with a "rush" post, GEORGE DALY and LLOYD NIVER, both of the 2nd Field Artillery Training Battery, are assembled to answer the call for glove throwers. Daly, a former Golden Glover, will fight in the lightweight class, tipping the scales at 204 pounds.

NIVER, a middleweight of 184 pounds, has participated in amateur matches. Our hat is off to these boys but it is a sad commentary when only two men are available to represent the world's most complete Infantry post in a boxing tournament. It does not flatter our Doughboys, who have earned the reputation of being fighting fools.

Perhaps everybody is tired of fighting.

BENNING SPORTS

Post plans for the athletic program at Fort Benning are in order, now that the war is over. At present, the post basketball league is in full swing. The teams in action today are much improved over the peace-time teams of yore, with such stars around as JIM HOMER, ex-University of Alabama; DANNY COLLINS, Texas Tech; High, Arkansas; ED McNAMARRA, ex-Catholic College; ED BEISSER, etc.

Only several years ago, Jordan and Columbus, the local high schools, prepared for their basketball season on the grounds of Fort Benning. Practice games were held in the gymnasium, and the present band played here, one would never surmise that the high school basketball players had been in the service.

The basketball program is well and good. However, there is no need to limit the winter program to that sport alone. Sports play a most integral part in building the character of American men and women and on a post of this type there should be no lack of participation the year around.

Among the winter, indoor sports available for Benning are the aforementioned, mainly art of boxing. There is no reason why boxing teams should not be formed on the post with intramural bouts being staged between the men of various units. The same goes for wrestling. There are plenty of grunts and groaners who enjoy tangle on the mat. In fact, a few soldiers have participated in bouts staged at the Exhibit Hall in Columbus. Why not have a few wrestling matches right here on the Post?

It is true that wrestling and boxing teams cannot be built in a day, but if the necessary publicity, stimuli and equipment are offered, it is our belief that they can.

ATC Makes Last Flight Over "Hump"

SHANGHAI — The Air Transport Command announced recently that it had made the final cargo flight over "the Hump" from India to China and that from Dec. 1, 1942, to Nov. 1, 1945, 776,532 tons of supplies had been flown to China.

The Hump operations cost 910 crewmen and 130 passengers killed or missing and 594 planes lost.

Palmer Given Command Of Sill School Troops

FORT SILL, Okla.—Brig. Gen. William E. Palmer, former artillery commander, VII Corps, has been assigned as commander of the Field Artillery School Troops here. He succeeds Brig. Gen. George H. Paine, who soon will retire from the Army.

Gls Entertained At Yule Events

By CPL. W. A. HAGINS

Despite the fact that a large portion of the enlisted personnel at Fort Benning took advantage of the military Yuletide holiday and spent the first peace-time Christmas, since Pearl Harbor, at home with their families, there was no occasion for dull moments at the Reception Center during the Christmas season.

A full schedule of Christmas parties, plays, trees, the singing of carols, dances, and other types of Yuletide entertainment were provided by Service Club No. 4, the Little USO, and the Little USO, also on 5th Avenue. Reception Center chaplains conducted services at the Reception Hall on Christmas Eve; mess hall personnel served a full turkey dinner noon on Christmas Day and there were plenty of nuts, candies and fruits, too.

Christmas Tree One of the holiday features of the post is a Christmas tree on the lawn near the athletic and Recreation Office, planned by Capt. Robert M. Reynolds, Reception Center Athletic and Recreation Officer, and decorated by Capt. Horatio V. Lamar, former director, Orientation Library for the STU, here. The tree is decorated with gifts, supplies and equipment for the Reception Center. The decorations for this tree were mostly improvised and the tree highly praised by Col. John P. Edgerly, commanding officer of the Reception Center, and Lt. Col. William C. Tipples, executive officer.

A Christmas tree party at Service Club No. 4 marked the beginning of Yuletide entertainment at the Reception Center. Each attending member of the Reception Center, and Lt. Col. William C. Tipples, executive officer.

The hostess of the Little USO, Columbus, and WAC Detachment II were among the guests for this occasion. The Service Club also had appropriate decorations for the Christmas season.

Christmas this year was not one of accelerated global war efforts, but instead emphasized the spirit of brotherly love, peace, and good will toward mankind.

Gen. Ike Order Says Slovenly Yanks Must Clean-Up And Behave

FRANKFURT, Germany—Declaring that slovenly dress and careless behavior by soldiers in Europe had become a bad reputation, General Eisenhower has directed his unit commanders to take immediate steps to correct these deficiencies.

The general said German propaganda for five years had "painted a picture of the American soldier as a careless, irresponsible group of gangsters who will overrun their countries and make shambles of them" and that it had become necessary to prove this charge to be completely false.

Davis' Play Praised

Of the outstanding linemen, Sports Writer Seearles stated "Davis was always in there fighting and getting results. He never made a bad pass from center. He was a demon on defense, was credited with many recovered fumbles and frequent pass interceptions. He was Davis' second season with the Tigers. He formerly played with Marjorie Moore, former All-American tackle at Alcorn College, Ends Maurice Moore, Morehouse College star, and Lonnie Gaines, Ala. A. & M. player, and Stanford "Porky" Smith, ex-Morehouse center.

Edwin Smith was similarly honored by being placed on the first team of all-service eleven selected by Lt. William (Big Bill) Bell, famed Tuskegee War Hawks coach, the Pittsburg Courier. James Gardner of the Reception Center team was selected to fill the tackle berth on the all-service team. The work of Smith and Gardner stood out when the Tigers battled the War Hawks in Atlanta, Georgia, after that game, Gardner was hurt and finished the season as assistant coach of the team.

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Blackwell, Tocco Still Going Strong In 3d Army Loop

Everett Blackwell and Milt Tocco, remembered by Benning fans for their stellar play with the 5th Infantry team here last year, are figuring prominently in the 71st Division's drive for 3rd Army basketball league supremacy, according to recent accounts from "The Stars and Stripes."

These accounts read just like old times for Benningites who missed a lot of athletic talent after the 71st left here. For example: "Pivoting in the slot with two seconds to play, six-foot-five Everett Blackwell dropped in a field goal for the 71st to nip the 15th corps All-Stars, 46-44, in a home Army loop thriller. Milt Tocco, who paced the Red Circle five all evening, had tied the game at 30-30."

Girl Scouts Enjoy Gala Xmas Season

The Girl Scouts and Brownies of Ft. Benning enjoyed a very delightful and busy holiday season. Each troop made a special collection of gifts for the children of the post.

Second and third grade Brownies and their leaders, Mrs. Rodemeyer and Mrs. Short, helped collect toys for Children's Hospital. Each troop also made a pin cushion as Xmas gift for their mother.

Fourth grade Brownies under Mrs. Dobson and Mrs. Stock conducted a typical Brownie meeting for the mothers, after which they presented to them aprons which they had made as Xmas gifts.

The Pine Tree Scout Troop under Pat Chamberlain gave a Xmas party and went caroling with the Blue Bird troop.

The Blue Bird troop under direction of Mrs. Collier Mattus made aprons for their mothers and decorated them to be given to their children.

The senior Girl Scout troop sponsored a formal dance at the Reception Center on December 20th. The cabin was beautifully decorated with smilax, pine and a Christmas tree.

The girls in senior troop devoted much time in preparation for entertainment of soldiers at the Regional Hospital at Fort Benning.

Members of the senior troop were Mrs. Gurnes Christberg and Mrs. Kenneth Robertson.

RC Tigers Turn Down Invitation To Pelican Bowl

By SGT. ARTHUR C. SEARLES

The Reception Center Tigers football team received a bid to play in the Pelican Bowl at Shreveport, La., New Year's Day, it was revealed by Lt. Roland E. Bing, Tiger mentor.

"We declined because too many of our players were on holiday furlough," Lieutenant Bing said. "The mighty Benning eleven had been invited to inaugurate the Pelican Bowl affair against an unnamed team. It was learned here unofficially that Wiley College, winner of the national Negro collegiate title, was being lined up to face the Tigers for the mythical national championship."

The Benning eleven entered the bowl picture by its strong season finish, winning its last five games. Just how the Tigers have ranked nationally has not yet been determined, but it is believed here that they would be near the top by any rating system.

Waitt Is Named New CWS Chief

WASHINGTON—Brig. Gen. Alden H. Waitt, a permanent lieutenant colonel in the Chemical Warfare Service, was nominated to be chief of that branch recently to succeed Maj. Gen. William N. Porter.

General Porter, whose four-year term expired May 30 and who has been acting chief since that date, is accepting an important job in private industry, the War Department said.

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Red Cross Unit In 'Bama Area Was Colorful

BY MURRAY F. HILL

One of the most colorful branch offices opened by the Red Cross at Fort Benning was that established for the paratroopers in the Alabama area. It closed last month when the Alabama area was inactivated.

In the summer of 1942, when the Parachute School was expanding rapidly and the Alabama area was established as advanced training location for the paratroopers, military officials and the Red Cross both realized the necessity of Red Cross service in the field to men isolated as the paratroopers in Alabama would be during their training period.

In the early summer of 1942 the Red Cross opened an office in a tent located in an area then occupied by the 502nd and 504th Parachute Infantry. The tent was furnished by Red Cross equipment and Quartersmaster office furniture. Natural decoration was provided by the grass growing up through the tent.

The first AFD in charge of the Alabama area office was T. J. Boyle and as his secretary assistant he had with him Miss Mildred Johnson.

Storms A Hazard

Due to the inability of the tent and the storms in the Alabama area the staff never knew when they would find their tent blown down and the records widely scattered. The dust also lent nothing to the comfort of the staff that was placed in that area. As the tent came on it was necessary to install a coal burning heater in the tent. Some time elapsed before the heater was adjusted to the tent and it was necessary to conduct interviews on the outside with the smoke subsided within.

During the early days the ferry across the river was often out of order. It was then necessary for the Red Cross staff to reach the office by driving into Columbus through Phenix City and along the bank of the Chattahoochee which is a trip of about 30 miles. The staff soon found this was too difficult and went backward and forward across the river in a motor skiff. The girls working in the Alabama area showed they could take it when on many of these rainy stormy mornings without hesitation they took off in the skiff to the opposite bank with the river at flood stage.

Nevertheless the Red Cross provided coverage for the soldiers and has continued to do so, graduating later into a building near the Post Exchange. The staff really felt like they were living in a mansion after their experiences in the tent. Later on the Red Cross office was located in the end of the telephone building and thanks to some of the officers in that area and an Atlanta department store the building was nicely decorated and furnished with comfortable parlor furniture. The Red Cross office in the Alabama area had at last come into its own and was one of which the Military could be proud.

Made Names for Themselves

Most of the AFDs who have been in charge of the Alabama office have made names for themselves in Red Cross work. One John Fodor, who was there perhaps longer than anyone else, will be remembered by the officers and men as the Red Cross man who insisted on taking the strenuous training given to the paratroopers, later making a name for himself and Red Cross in the Philippine invasion.

Another AFD in charge of the Alabama area who will be well remembered was John Beckham. Under his management the office was moved to a better location, refurbished, and really flourished at the peak of its activities. Mr. Beckham left the parachute office to go as Red Cross field director with one of the B-29 units and was last heard of when this unit took over its bomber operations in the Pacific.

From a statistical standpoint literally thousands of soldiers came in with their pressing problems. Hundreds of wires were sent and received by this office. Thousands of dollars were lent to the soldiers given emergency furloigns and personal needs when the occasion arose.

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TIS Is Leading School Commands In Enlistments

A recent tabulation of enlistment figures for School Commands, shows The Infantry School, Fort Benning, Georgia, out in front by a wide margin, with a total of 1245. Its nearest rivals for recruiting honors are: The Parachute School, also of Fort Benning, with 795 men signing up for a peacetime "hitch," and the Artillery School at Fort Sill, Oklahoma, with 685 deciding to stay in.

The Infantry School also leads in applications pending final action, with a two-to-one numerical superiority.

These totals represent consolidation of Regular Army Enlistments and Reenlistments, for Army Ground Forces.

Butner Is Center For NP Cases In 4 Southern States

CAMP BUTNER, N. C.—The Army General Hospital here has been designated to handle Army neuro-psychiatric cases at all posts in the states of North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia and Florida, it is announced by Brig. Gen. Roy C. Heflebow, chief of the general hospital of the Camp Butner Hospital Center.

Aussies Give Figures

WASHINGTON—According to Australian government figures, supplies, services and facilities valued at \$33,004,000 have been furnished United States Forces as reverse Lend Lease to June 30, 1945. Lend Lease exports during the same period, according to the Foreign Economic Administration, amounted to \$1,544,000,000.

Ilke' Gets Wings

WASHINGTON—With 350 flying hours to his credit, General Eisenhower was awarded this week the Silver Wings of the Philippine Air Force. The award was made by Col. Edwin Anderson, chief of Commonwealth's Air Corps.

General Eisenhower served as aide to General MacArthur in the Philippines from 1935 to 1940.

himself and Red Cross in the Philippine invasion. He was in charge of the Red Cross work there and wrote back that his strenuous physical training with the paratroopers had certainly prepared him for the arduous work that confronted him on the invasion of Leyte.

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"WONDER FIVE" is the nickname given this season's Reception Center Basketball Team, considered the greatest ever to represent the Center on the hardwood. Players pictured above are, left to right: (6) Herman Powell, ex-Tuskegee Institute forward; (14) Silad Davia, former Morehouse College guard; (9) Samuel Hill, ex-Birmingham High center; (8) Wilbur George, star center from Tuskegee Institute; (7) Oliver Brooks, ex-Morehouse College guard and (16) Wallace O. Hawkins, ace sharpshooter from Florida A & M College. Other members of the squad are Bertram Martin, Rudolph Dunn Robert Swain, Edwin Smith, Orlando People, and L. B. Foley; John Patterson, business manager; Hawthorne Lee, assistant manager; and Maurice Moore, trainer. The Tiger basketballers have won four of their five games.



ENGINEERS SCHOOL—The "how-to-do-it" of brazing bodies of Osgood shovels is being demonstrated in the 1290th Engineer Combat Battalion Heavy Equipment School in the Harmony Church Area. Lt. John M. Morgan, supervisor, looks on. (Photo by S-Sgt. Paul Berg, 167th Signal Photo Co.)



ENJOYING MALTED MILKS and sundaes at the opening of the new PX Soda Shop last Thursday were these five GIs as they sat at the tables provided in the spacious new exchange. Seated at the table in the foreground are, left to right are: Pfc. Vincent C. Velluci, Pfc. Joe Zawidski and Pfc. Jerry Walker, all of 1st Headquarters Company, The Airborne School; and Pvt. Eugene Prado of 10th Company, the Academic Regiment of The Infantry School. At the table in the rear of the photo is Pfc. Wallace H. Bores of the 1290th Engineer Company, First Army.—(Signal Corps Photo by Cpl. Phil Charleston.)

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New Plan Allows Extended Active Duty for Officers

Reserve, National Guard and continental United States. Travel AUS officers may volunteer for extended active duty in a new plan promulgated by the War Department, the current issue of Army-Navy Journal reports.

All volunteering statements previously signed by officers to remain on active duty for a given period have been revoked by the War Department, and statements of five different categories have been set up to more correctly fit the desires of officers. All officers will be required to concur with one of the five categories not later than Jan. 31, 1946.

The five categories from which officers may select are:

Category I. I elect to continue on extended active duty for an unlimited length of time.

Category II. I elect to continue extended active duty until 30 June 1947.

Category III. I elect to continue extended active duty until 31 December 1946.

Category IV. I elect to continue on extended active duty until the date agreed upon by the officer concerned and his commanding officer, not to exceed 30 days subsequent to the date the statement is signed and not later than 30 November 1946.

Category V. I desire to be relieved from active duty at the earliest opportunity.

All reserve, National Guard and AUS officers—except General officers and those on terminal leave—will be encouraged to sign one of the above categories of statements at the earliest practicable date, says the Journal.

"While no definite assurance can be given individual officers regarding the length of time their service will be needed by the Army, it is the intent of the War Department that those officers of the highest record of performance of duty who desire to be retained in the service will be retained longer."

Legislation is now pending in Congress which would increase the size of the Regular Army of approximately 10,000 to regular Army in the grades of second lieutenant through major inclusive.

Appointees must meet certain general fitness, intelligence, and physical standards. Sex as possible, an appointee will be commissioned in the arm or service of his choice within arm or service vacancies.

The War Department has under consideration a policy which would prescribe a maximum overseas tour of two and a half years. Consideration will not be given to overseas service performed prior to the length of time officers have served in the service.

Questions Of The Week

(Answers on Page 8)

1. In accordance with what agreement were the Big Three Foreign Ministers meeting last week? How often did that agreement enjoin them to confer?

2. Congress has still to terminate World War II officially. When did the United States officially declare peace with Germany and Austria after World War I?

3. Preparations were under way in Chungking last week for a consultative Assembly to comprise delegates from China's four chief political parties. Can you name three of them?

4. The Chinese Nationalist last week were expecting Russia to turn over to them a man named Henry Pu. Who is he?

5. Just one year ago last week a crucial battle was raging in Europe. What army was on the offensive?

6. What results highlighted the recent Moscow conference of the Big Three Foreign Ministers?

7. What was the status decided upon at the Moscow conference of the Big Three Foreign Ministers?

8. President Truman signed a new version of the G. I. Bill of Rights liberalizing veterans' loan and educational benefits. Can you name a few of these revisions?

RC's Colorful Sgt. Searles Leaving Army

By Cpl. WILLIAM A. HAGINS

Sgt. Arthur C. Searles, one of the Reception Center's most colorful figures, is about to return to civilian life. Tomorrow morning he will board the train bound for Fort Meade, Md., where he will begin his Army career at an end. While a member of the Reception Center, Sgt. Searles served as sergeant-major for the Second Battalion of the Special Training Unit until it was inactivated a few weeks ago. He spent the last two weeks as a troubleshooter for companies of the Reception Battalion where he has been working with administrative records.

In addition to his regular duties, Sgt. Searles was the sports reporter for the Reception Center and contributed general news articles for THE BAYONET and general news articles for the Reception Center. He played first base on the Second Battalion's softball team which won the STU championship of two straight seasons. He coached the battalion basketball team and played on the pennant-winning volleyball team.

When the Post non-commissioned officers club was about to be formed, Sgt. Searles was appointed to represent the Reception Center in this organization. He was elected chairman of two powerful committees, equipment and program. The club was granted \$1,500 with which to buy equipment.

Sgt. Searles planned all of the battalion parties, outings and boat rides. He is credited with building the first softball diamond for the Reception Center. Special Service representatives found him to assist in conducting the men's and women's recreational activities.

As battalion sergeant-major, Searles was publicly commended for his efficient performance. His battalion was the last to be inactivated, largely because of its superior record. At night he gave advice and help to enlisted men who performed poorly in their personal problems. In his spare time he appeared on forums at the USO and spoke at schools.

Holding many positions at the same time is a habit for Sgt. Searles. Before he left the Reception Center, he was publisher of the Southwest Georgian, an Albany, Ga., weekly newspaper and was instructor of Social Science at Madison High School of Albany. He plans to return to Albany when he gets that "home pigeon" to take up where he left off.

Stillwell On Board

WASHINGTON—Gen. Joseph W. Stilwell has been appointed president of a War Department Equipment Board to review types of equipment needed for the Army Ground Forces in the post-war Army, the War Department announced.

Kaiser 'Abductor' Dead

NASHVILLE, Tenn.—Luke Lea, 66, newspaper publisher and former United States Senator whose career included an attempt to "kidnap" the exiled German Kaiser in Holland, died recently of a heart attack.

A husband of the bogus race in Ethiopia never sees his mother-in-law's face or utters her name according to the Encyclopedia Britannica. The wife is never permitted to speak the name of her husband or that of her father-in-law.

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"SONG TO REMEMBER"

Tuesday—Wednesday

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"THOSE ENDEARING YOUNG CHARMS"

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Bette Davis—John Hall

—in—

"THE CORN IS GREEN"

Thursday

Wm. Bendix—Joan Blondell

—in—

"DON JUAN QUILLIGAN"

SPRINGER SATURDAY

Tim McCoy

—in—

"FIGHTING RENEGADES"

Sunday—Monday

Yvonne de Carlo—David Bruce

—in—

"SALOME WHERE SHE DANCED"

Tuesday—Wednesday

Judy Garland—Robert Walker

—in—

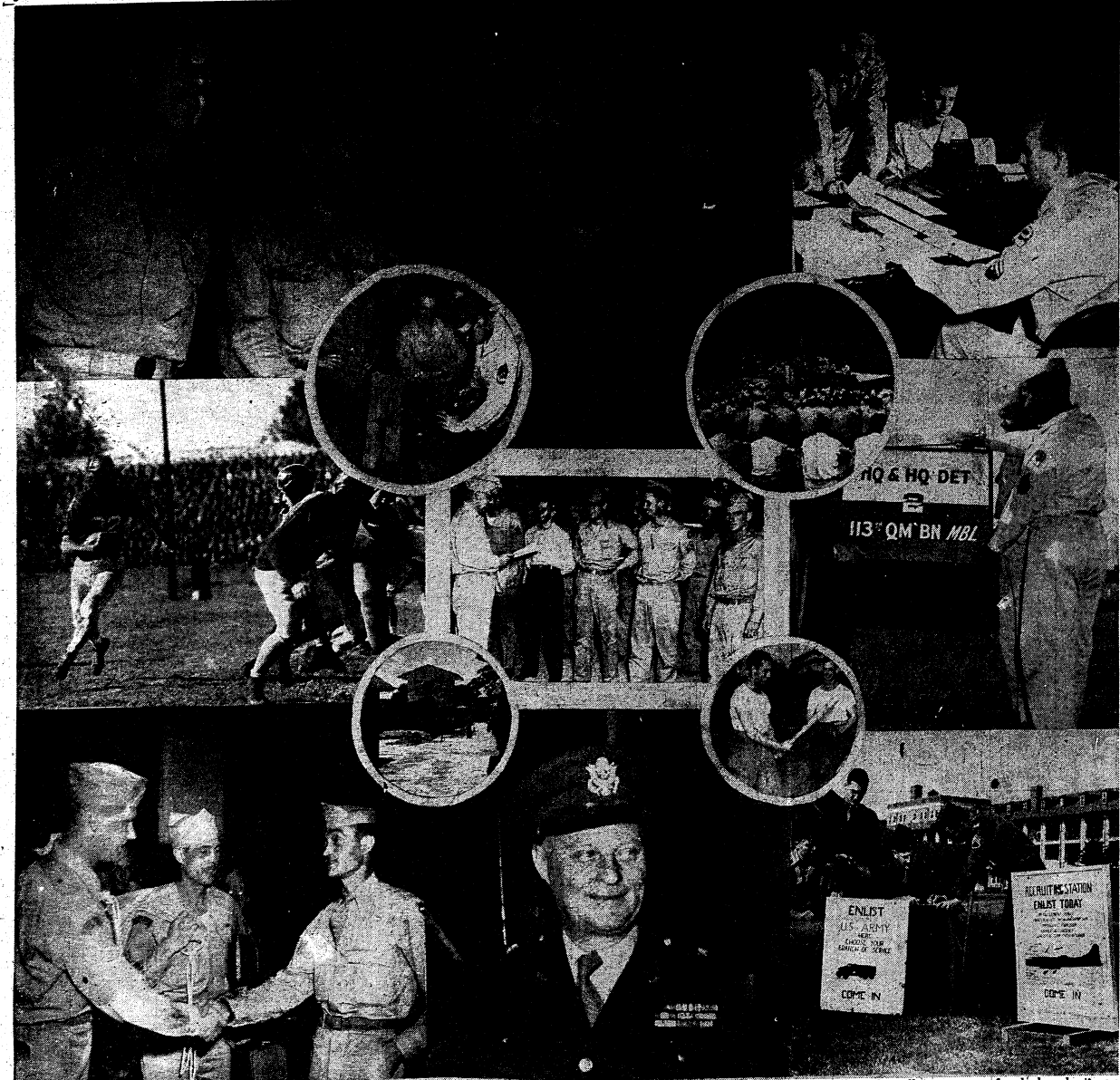
"THE CLOCK"

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QUITE A YEAR FOR FIRST ARMY—Photographs reproducing activity among First (formerly Second) Army units through the year 1945 make up quite a varied spread. V-E and V-J brought many changes to the special troops which trained and then left for combat duty overseas. Looking across the top row, left to right: Maj. Gen. Frank Culin and Brig. Gen. McGee, Commanding General and Assistant Commanding General of the 87th Infantry Division, are shown in a photo taken the night they left for other assignments, after the Division, which came to Fort Benning for redeployment, was inactivated. Top center shows Col. Richard W. Carter pinning the Combat Infantryman's Badge on Pfc. Stanislaus Klusa, South Pacific veteran. On top right is the busy morning report section at Fourth Headquarters, First Army, which during the peak of redeployment was handling hundreds of morning reports each day. Bill Russell, First Army's gift to the Fort Benning Doughboys, is shown skirting around the end in left center photo, and in the middle center

Major Thomas M. Williams is shown calling the roll as a group of redeployed veterans from Europe report in to First Army for assembly. At center right, members of the 113th QM Battalion take down their unit sign as the 113th, ETO veteran, is inactivated. Lower left shows a now-typical scene in First Army. A sergeant bids some of his men farewell, as they leave for separation. He's Gene Coogan of the 167th Signal Photo Co. In lower center, Brig. Gen. Ogden J. Ross is shown as he arrived in Columbus to take command of First Army troops here. At lower right S-Sgt. Clyde E. Wykle, 87th Division veteran, signs up for re-enlistment in First Army's special recruiting station. The inset at top left is a scene from First Army ordnance shops, before V-J Day. Top right inset portrays a special Victory services held in Harmony Church for First Army. Lower left inset is a view of the Jap village built for First Army redeployment training before Japan capitulated, while lower right inset is an action scene from First Army's softball league.

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Gen. Lutes to Command ASF Succeeding Gen. Somervell

Secretary of War Robert Patterson has announced the appointment of Lt. Gen. LeRoy Lutes as Commanding General, Army Service Forces, effective January 1, 1946, to succeed Gen. Breton Somervell whose relief from this assignment pending retirement was announced last week.

General Lutes served as director on plans and operations, Army Service Forces, from March, 1942, until April, 1945, when he became Somervell's chief of staff and Deputy Commanding General, Army Service Forces Headquarters in Washington.

"It is with extreme regret," Mr. Patterson said, "that I announce the retirement of General Somervell as commanding general, Army Service Forces. In organizing and directing the worldwide

Two RC Non-Coms Going to College For Army Study

Sgt. Jessie L. Anderson and Cpl. Joseph Peterson of the Reception Center have been transferred to A. & T. College, Greensboro, N. C., to study Army Administration work.

Both of these servicemen served as Cademen with the 11th Company of the former special Training Unit at the Reception Center where the rudiments of reading, writing and arithmetic were taught to educationally handicapped soldiers.

Sgt. Anderson served as chief instructor for the former 11th Company and Cpl. Peterson was the assistant chief instructor.

Their friends at the Reception Center wish for them much success in their future work at A. & T. College.

M-Sgt. Whiting Re-enlists Again At Lawson Field

M-Sgt. Milton T. Whiting, a member of Sqd. A, 811th AAF Base Unit at Lawson Field, with 17 years of service in the Armed Forces, behind him, took the oath for the seventh time at Base Headquarters last week.

A native of Old town, Me., he began his Army career in 1929 when at the age of 17, with his parent's consent, he joined the Army at Fort McKinley, Me. The long list of U. S. posts where he has served includes a hitch with the Coast Guard along the Northeast Coast, during the rum running days of the 20's.

He was back in the Army in 1936 when he graduated from the Ft. Benning Motor Mechanic School and returned to his home station Ft. Stevens, Mass., where he remained for two years prior to his transfer to Ft. Adams, B. I. Discharged at Ft. Adams in 1939, he returned to Ft. Benning for a visit and re-enlisted to serve with Flight B, of the 16th Observation Squadron, stationed at Lawson Field. Flight B, at that time under the command of Capt. Rubin Kyle, supplied the Infantry School with air-ground liaison, reconnaissance, s. m. o. k. b.

screen laying, tow targets and photography.

He left Lawson Field in July 1944 for Syracuse, N. Y. and was assigned to a Combat Cargo Group, training men for overseas duty. Later he trained at Baer Field, Ind., and from there went to the Air Inspector's Supply and Maintenance School at Orlando, Fla. His next assignment was Salinas AAB, California, where he remained until recently when he requested a transfer to Lawson Field to re-enlist here for the second time.

An airplane Maintenance Technician and Inspector, Sgt. Whiting now re-enlisting was assigned to the Base Air Inspector's Office.

Sgt. Whiting has a brother, Mr. Harry I. Whiting, and a sister, Mrs. Fred Carr, in Oldtown, Me., but for years has called the Crystal Valley Section of Midland, Ga., his home.

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The new commanding general of the Army Service Forces came into the regular army in 1917 after a period of service with the Federalized National Guard. During World War I General Lutes worked in six of the combat zones of the various theaters. On his first trip to the British Isles in 1942, he initiated plans to assure that adequate supply support would be available for American forces soon to be based in the United Kingdom. Later the same year, General Lutes covered thousands of miles in the South and Southwest Pacific where he played an important role in coordinating supply and logistical operations in support of the Army and Navy plans to push the enemy back across the Pacific.

Checked Supply Prior to the invasion of Western France, General Lutes was called to General Eisenhower's headquarters to investigate and advise on the plans for supply and logistical support of the cross-channel assault. He was instrumental in expediting action that delivered over 200 critical items by both air and water to

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Answers

To Questions on Page 1

1. The Crimea conference agreement of February 1945, which stated that the Big Three foreign ministers would meet "as often as may be necessary probably about every three or four months."

2. In 1921, President Harding signed a joint resolution declaring peace with Germany and Austria on July 2; the final treaty with those countries was ratified by the United States Senate on October 18.

3. Kuomintang, Communist party, Young China party and the Democratic League.

4. Henry Pu-yi, once the Manchurian "boy emperor" of China, was the puppet emperor of Manchuria during the Japanese occupation.

5. The German army, in the battle of the Bulge, the last major Nazi counter-attack.

6. Russia aligned herself behind Anglo-American proposals to put atomic energy controls up to the United Nations, and Russia now has a voice in the control of Japan.

7. The necessity for a unified democratic and independent China under the National Government now headed by Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek; the establishment of a provisional government for Korea with prospect of complete independence for that nation in five years.

8. (a) Raises the maximum amount of farm and home loans that may be guaranteed by the government from \$2,000 to \$4,000.
(b) Removes the former requirements that the Veterans Administration must approve a farm or home loan before it can be guaranteed. A loan will now be guaranteed that the veteran is not being cheated.
(c) Eliminates the requirement that the veteran must obtain a "certificate of eligibility." His certificate of honorable discharge is all that is necessary now.
(d) Extends the time limit for obtaining a government guaranteed loan from two years after the war to 10 years.
(e) Raises the subsistence allowance from \$50 to \$65 a month for single veterans, and from \$75 to \$80 for ex-servicemen with dependents.
(f) Eliminates the 25 year age limit on veterans eligible to go to school at government expense.

Hospitals Close

WASHINGTON—The convalescent hospitals and hospital centers at Camp Butler, N. C., and Wakeham, Camp Atterbury, Ind., were closed Dec. 15, the Army has announced. The general hospitals at both posts will continue in operation.

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